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For: ADHESIVE PROTEIN FOAM FOR SURGICAL
AND/OR THERAPEUTIC USES

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C.

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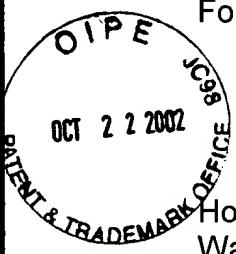
Applicants herein respond to the Restriction Requirement dated September 23, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS

It will be noted that claim 54 has been amended relative to the previously provided version as shown by the marked up version thereof in **Attachment A** provided herewith. A clean version of claim 54 is provided herewith in **Attachment B**.

REMARKS

In the Restriction Requirement dated September 23, 2002, the Examiner, applying the restriction standard under 37 C.F.R. § 1.499, identified three groups for restriction (Group I-III). Specifically, the Examiner identified Group I (claims 1-18) drawn to an adhesive composition, Group II (claims 19-43) drawn to a process of making an adhesive composition, and Group III (claims 44-53) drawn to a kit. Further, the Examiner indicated claim 54 was drawn to a use claim which is not considered to be in an acceptable class of claims allowed by the U.S. Patent Office.



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